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In re Application of: Debra L. FLEENOR et al.

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For:

AGENTS WHICH REGULATE, INHIBIT, OR MODULATE THE ACTIVITY AND/OR EXPRESSION OF CONNECTIVE TISSUE GROWTH FACTOR (CTGF) AS A UNIQUE MEANS TO BOTH LOWER INTRAOCULAR PRESSURE AND TREAT GLAUCOMATOUS RETINOPATHIES/OPTIC NEUROPATHIES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following sentence below the title:

This application claims priority from PCT/US03/12521 filed on April 18, 2003, and United States Serial No. 60/376,606, filed on April 30, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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